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'Arogya Darpana' Health Survey begins

- Community health workers go door-to-door
- Campaign covers houses in jurisdiction of five PHCs
- To alert people on Non-Communicable Diseases and take precautionary health measures
- Jayanagar Community Health Centre is Nodal Agency

Mysuru, Feb.25 (RK&DM)- As part of an effort to check the health of the people in respect of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD), community health workers attached to Karnataka Health Promotion Trust (KHPT), an NGO, are visiting door-to-door for 'Arogya Darpana' Health Survey under the National Urban Health Campaign.

The campaign, which was launched in the State in June last year, is now being carried out in the jurisdiction of five Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in the city — Chamundipuram, Krishnamurthypuram, Vishweshwaranagar, Nachanahallipalya and Shanthinagar PHCs — covering MCC Wards coming under Krishnamurthypuram, Jayanagar, Ashokapuram, J.P. Nagar and Shanthinagar localities. The Jayanagar Community Health Centre is the Nodal Agency for the survey.

KHPT health workers with a medical background will visit every household in these localities, armed with health kits and examine all the inmates of the house aged over 30 years for NCDs such as Blood Pressure, Blood Sugar etc.

(See SURVEY on page 9)

Day 2: Trump pays tribute to Mahatma Gandhi at Rajghat

US-INDIA SIGN THREE AGREEMENTS

MoU on Mental Health; MoU on Safety of Medical Products; Letter of Co-operation between Indian Oil Corporation and Exxon and Chart.

New Delhi, Feb. 25 (UNI)- US President Donald Trump, accompanied by First Lady Melania Trump, who is on a two-day visit to India starting yesterday, visited Rajghat here this morning and paid homage to Mahatma Gandhi.

They laid a wreath at the Gandhi Samadhi, offered floral tributes and also planted a tree sapling at the Rajghat Complex. They were accompanied by Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri at the Gandhi Samadhi.

"The American people stand strongly with a sovereign and wonderful India -The vision of the great Mahatma Gandhi - This is a tremendous honour!," Trump wrote in the Visitor's Book.

Ceremonial welcome

Earlier in the morning, the US President was received with ceremonial guard of honour at the Rashtrapati Bhavan.

The United States President and the first lady were received at the gates of the Presidential Palace by a cavalcade of the President's Bodyguards dressed in bright red with contrasting blue turbans. The entire stretch from his hotel to the Rashtrapati Bhavan was swarming with security personnel and snipers positioned at rooftops who provided an unassailable ring of security around him.

Upon his arrival at the forecourt, Trump was received by President Ram Nath Kovind and Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He was escorted to the stage as the National Anthems of the United States and India played in the background. Trump inspected the inter-services Guard of Honour.

(See TRUMP on page 9)

Tanveer Sait back in city after treatment

'I am hale and healthy... but continuing voice therapy', says the MLA

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (RKB&DM)- After treatment abroad and in Bengaluru for the serious injuries he sustained when a youth brutally attacked him with a machete at a wedding function in the city in November last, N.R. Constituency MLA Tanveer Sait has returned to the city.

Speaking to press persons here yesterday, Sait said, he is now healthy and currently undergoing voice therapy treatment. Maintaining that he is much healthier now when compared to few days ago, the Congress MLA said that he will be attending the State Budget Session, which starts from March 2.

Former MLA Vasu, who called on MLA Tanveer Sait at the latter's residence in Udayagiri, seen having lunch with Sait and his family members this afternoon.

Gangster Ravi Pujari had made threat calls

Replying to a question on the threat calls made by gangster Ravi Pujari, who has now been arrested by Karnataka Police, Sait admitting that he and MLA S.R. Mahesh had received threat calls, disclosed that many other MLAs too faced threat from Pujari. However, only he and Mahesh lodged complaints with the Police, he said and added that the Police investigations will reveal who all Ravi Pujari had threatened.

(See SAIT on page 9)

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Daring, *dodging* disasters

Launching action by the administration to save lives and structures built to meet various needs of the populace invariably follows disasters, both natural and man-made, although some of those happenings are attributed to nature even though human hand is behind them, particularly droughts and floods. To blunt or reduce the intensity of the consequences of disasters, whether they are natural or man-made, the Disaster Management Act was passed by the Nation's Parliament in 2005, receiving the assent of the President subsequently, calling for the establishment of National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA). As if to reflect the importance of this apex body, the Prime Minister of India is its Chairman, with the vision to build a safer and disaster resilient India and foster a culture of prevention, preparedness and mitigation of the consequences of disasters. In addition, the National Institute of Disaster Management has been assigned the task of developing practices aimed at rescue work through hands-on training and organising drills for advanced preparedness in addressing the hardship of the victims. The Institute also *equips* and trains Disaster Management Cells at the State and local levels. Karnataka Government's State Disaster Management Authority has taken steps to set up such authorities at District-level also.

The top brass in the incumbent Karnataka Government has gone on record saying the previous Government never initiated any measure to strengthen the Authority despite a direction from the State High Court to that effect ten years ago. Revenue Minister of the Government has said that in the event of calamities, the District-level authorities would act *swiftly* even before the arrival of the *National Disaster Response Force* teams comprising 200 trained personnel who have been constituted at four (Bengaluru, Hubballi, Coastal Karnataka and Kalyana Karnataka region) places in the State to work under the State's Authority.

Mercifully, Karnataka region has remained at a respectable distance from locations vulnerable to and experiencing earthquakes. But, tremors caused by detonating subterranean rocks and creating deep quarries in some regions, including areas close to Mysuru district boundary, are resulting in threats to stability of dams and also structures of archaeological value. The issue of many development projects such as widening roads in city limits, increasing lanes of inter-city highways, construction of new airports as well as adding space to existing ones such as in Bengaluru and Mysuru, entailing loss of fertile land needed for raising crops, denudation of life-supporting green cover over large areas have been talked about *ad nauseum* with no hint of mitigating the occurrence and consequences of disasters.

Media has been rendering yeoman service to the nation through forewarning the people in authority vested with the responsibility of dodging and daring disasters sparing no efforts. Lay public too owe it to themselves in ensuring the functionaries in the Government to avoid laxity in addressing hardship, not resting with the compensation often announced and forgotten thereafter.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

THANKS TO NO THANKS: ***In an unexpected gesture, the Delhi Police, which usually devise ways to block protests, offered a pick-and-drop service to Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) students for their protest march from Mandi House to the Shastri Bhawan this past week. The Central Delhi building houses the Human Resource Development (HRD) Ministry. First, the Police picked up students in multiple buses from JNU and dropped them till the protest assembling point. However, things returned to square one later in the evening, when the Police beat up and detained students when they decided to march till the Rashtrapati Bhavan. But this time, the disgruntled students refused to take the Police bus, which was stationed at Connaught Place, to go back to JNU.***

— In Business Standard

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man eats McDonald's menu after burying it

Barnsley: Matt Nadin, a father of three from Barnsley, in the UK, who wanted his 40th birthday to be special, celebrated it by eating a McDonald's Big Mac menu that he had buried in his friend's backyard a year before.

Just before his 39th birthday, Nadin came up with the "McDonald's 365" challenge, which basically involved buying a Big Mac menu – burger, fries and a milkshake – put it in a plastic container and bury it for a year in his friend Andy Thompson's garden. He had intended to dig it out on his 40th birthday, in November of last year, as a special way of celebrating, but only found time to retrieve the container earlier this month. The food didn't look great, and tasted even worse, but Matt stuck to his guns and got everything down despite a lot of burping and gagging.

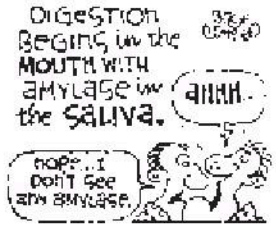
Is this animal a fox or a dog?

Tyumen: Photos of an adorable 'fox dog' have been doing the rounds on the internet over the past week, leaving people wondering whether the animal is a dog, a fox, or a mix between the two. The adorable Mya first drew the internet's attention back in 2016, when her Instagram account went viral and she made appearances in some of the world's most popular publications. But fast forward four years and most most people still don't know what animal they are looking at. The truth is that Mya's blue eyes and vixen-like appearance can be a bit confusing, but she is actually a Pomsky, which is apparently what you call a Pomeranian-Husky mix.

Mya's second rise to fame occurred last week, when a photo of her went viral on social news sharing platform Reddit. Everyone was mesmerized by her fox-like appearance, with some comparing her with video game characters Star Fox and Crash Bandicoot.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How can I choose the right digestive enzymes?



To digest proteins, use Protease, Pepsin and Trypsin.
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These enzymes will greatly increase digestive efficiency.

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National Seminar on 'Gender Sensitivity' on Feb. 27

Mysuru, Feb.25 (RKB&DM)- The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Women Welfare Committee of Maharani's Arts, Commerce and Management College for Women will be conducting a National Seminar on the topic 'Gender Sensitivity, Equality and Opportunities' at the College premises located on Valmiki Road, Vinayakanagar (Paduvarahalli), at 9.30 am on Feb. 27. Announcing this at a press meet here recently, College Principal Prof. G.H. Mahadevaswamy said that MLA L. Nagendra will inaugurate the Seminar and Joint Director of Collegiate Education Prof. R. Mugeshappa will be the chief guest.

Writers Sowmya Kumar, Kavitha Mishra and Prof. Margaret Mary will speak on the topic 'Women Entrepreneurship in India,' while Prof.Krishnamurthy, S. Narendraprasad, S. Ramesh and Prof. P. Shivappa will speak on the topic 'The changing roles of men and women.'

Seminar Director Prof. Somanna, Organising Secretary B. Ravishankar and IQAC Co-ordinator S. Manu will be present during the Seminar, he said.

Water disruption today and tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 25- Due to main pipeline linking works taken up by the Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board (KUWS&DB) under Amruth Scheme, water supply will be disrupted in MCC Ward Nos. 45 to 51 (Sharadadevinagar, Dattgalli, Kuvempunagar, Jayanagar, Lakshmipuram, Sunnadakeri, Agrahara) and Ward Nos. 54 to 65 (Gundurao Nagar, Chamundipuram, Krishnamurthypuram, Kuvempunagar, CITB, Ramakrishnanagar, Ashokpuram, Vidyaranyapuram, Vishweshwaranagar, JP Nagar, Aravindanagar and Srirampura today (Feb. 25) and tomorrow (Feb. 26).

The residents are appealed to co-operate, according to a press release from Vani Vilas Water Works Executive Engineer.

Really...?

- ***Bengaluru doesn't just attract foreign equity, it is also the birthplace of several startups. It is no longer a city that only outsources talent. Easy availability of trained professionals and a pouring in of large amounts of venture capital have made it the hub of the youngest company founders in India. You will be surprised to know that Bengaluru has served as a nursery for roughly 14,000 to 19000 startups, some of which are your favourite apps, like Flipkart and Coupondunia!***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

One day I saw Mulla Nasruddin almost crying, he was so sad.
I asked, *"What is the matter? Why you are so sad?"*
He said, *"I am really sad. My wife has appointed a new Secretary for me."*
I said, *"So what? What is there to be so sad about it? Is she blonde or brunette?"*
He said, *"Forget all about blondes and brunettes. He is bald! That's why I am crying !"*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 71.89
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 93.00
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.57
1 Euro	= Rs. 78.06

VOICE OF THE READER

An apology of a 'Reading Room'

Sir,

This refers to the news item ***'Libraries in all 65 Wards of the City soon: Mayor"*** *(Star of Mysore* dated Feb.14). Mysureans will be grateful if this assurance is implemented in letter and spirit.

Here is a classic example of how the worshipful Mayor can rectify, to start with, the apathy shown in maintaining even the existing 30-year-old 'Reading Room' situated at the end of Pulikeshi Road, very near to the Gumchi-Batheri Pillars on Ashoka Road junction.

This 'Reading Room' was inaugurated on 2.9.1985 by the then Mayor Satyanarayana in the presence of Deputy Mayor K.Gopalaswamy, luminaries and dignitaries of Mysuru city. But, it has been locked up and is at present accompanied by a huge secondary garbage bin and is an open air toilet for people (and strays to roll around).

It is located near an urban slum area Lashkar Mohalla and it could have certainly inculcated a habit of reading (improving literacy), had it been maintained properly by providing daily

newspapers of different languages for catering to the different class (vernacular) readers and some comic books etc., for attracting children.

Will this Reading Room be included in the Mayor's plan of action for improving the library system in all the 65 Wards of Mysuru? Only time can tell.

The Mayor has rightly pointed out that out of 65 Wards only 28 Wards have libraries and she would do well to take stock of the existing buildings, repair them, convert them with good ambiance with proper lighting and ventilation and supply of newspapers, magazines, books with need-based infrastructure including drinking water, toilet facilities etc., so that people will make use of them.

— Vasanthkumar
Mysoremath, Social Activist
Tilaknagar 16.2.2020

Ideathon: Teachers pitch ideas to solve city's social problems

The prize winning teachers of *Ideathon on Social Innovation* ***seen with the Yi Mysuru Team.***

Mysuru, Feb. 25- As part of its responsibility towards providing a solution for real social problems faced in Mysuru city, Young Indians (Yi) Mysuru's Innovation Vertical in association with CII Mysuru's Industry Institute Interaction Panel (IIIP) had organised an 'Ideathon on Social Innovation' on Feb. 19 at SJCE in city.

The competition was open to all Mysore University College Professors and Teachers, who have great problem-solving ideas in the Social Innovation Space.

In all, 15 teams of Professors from various Colleges —GSSSIETW, The National Institute of Engineering, NIEIT, Maharaja Institute of Technology-Mysuru, MIT-Thandavapura, Christ College, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Post Graduate Centre, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering and SJCE Mysuru — participated and presented their innovative ideas towards solving real social problems of Mysuru city. Team from SJCE College secured the first prize of Rs. 9,000, Christ College won the second prize of Rs. 6,000 and GSSSIETW won the third prize of Rs. 3,000.

Dr. Dattakumar, Convenor - IIIP and Head, Operations Enhanzed Education Pvt. Limited; Cdr. H.N. Satish, Co-Convenor - IIIP and Professor and HoD, DoS in Tourism and Hospitality Management, SBRR Mahajana First Grade College; Dr. Pradeep, Chair, Yi Mysuru; Nikhil P. Koundinya, Co-Chair Yi Mysuru Chapter; Smita Tom, Chair Innovation Vertical; Rahul, Bharath and M. Guruprasad, Executive Members, Yi Mysuru along with 6 Yuva Volunteers from SJCE were present at the competition.

Zoo animals adopted

Mysuru, Feb. 25- The following people have adopted animals at Mysuru Zoo under "Adoption of Animals" scheme by paying the adoption fee.

Youth Club 2019 of Mysuru Zoo - Great Indian Hornbill (Rs.5,000); Sumana V. Patel, Bengaluru - Green Anaconda (Rs.10,000); M.N. Varadaraj Iyengar, Mysuru - Brown Capuchin (Rs.7,500); M. Rajashekara, Mysuru - Mandarin Duck (Rs. 2,000); A. Anuradha- Bengaluru - Four Horned Antelope (Rs. 5,000); P. Harisha, Bengaluru- Lesser Sulphur -Crested Cockatoo, Australian Rainbow Lorikeet and Green winged Macaw (Rs. 15,000); Indira Venkatraman, Mysuru - Nilgiri Langur and Common Ostrich (Rs. 20,000); Krishna Anand, Mysuru- Nilgiri Langur and Common Ostrich (Rs. 20,000); H.N. Naveen, Bengaluru- White Peacock (Rs. 3,500), according to a press release from Zoo's Executive Director.

II PUC exams from March 4 to 23

Beware of malpractices lest you land in jail

Bengaluru, Feb. 25- With the Second PUC annual exams hardly ten days away (Mar.4 to 23), the Department of Pre-University Education has announced stern measures for prevention of any malpractices during the exam.

In a circular containing rules and regulations, the Department said that those found indulging in exam malpractices are liable for a five-year jail term along with a penalty of Rs.5 lakh.

As per the circular issued by the Director of PU Education, an FIR can be filed in the jurisdictional Police Station against those who obstruct exam duties, Promulgation of prohibitory orders in 200 mts radius of all exam centres, ban on carrying electronic gadgets like camera, laptop and mobile phones in exam centres, prevention of exam malpractices such as copying, mass copying, extending help for copying, impersonation, question paper leak etc.

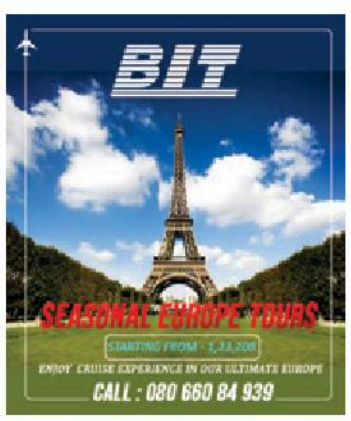
The circular has also warned of legal action against those examiners, supervisors, Chief Superintendents, who are found guilty of abetting exam malpractices.

"IEEE Faculty Conclave"

Mysuru, Feb.25- IEEE Bangalore section is organising "IEEE Faculty Conclave" on Feb.29 at NIE Institute of Technology, Hootagalli Industrial Area here at 10 am.

The aim of this Faculty Conclave is to highlight the benefits of IEEE membership, which will help one to develop professional identity in IEEE's designated fields of interest: Science, Technologies, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

For free registration visit: *https://forms.gle/Hcyfam85s-FucWubM8,* according to a press release.



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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption tomorrow

Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow (Feb. 26) between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas: Janatanagar, Bogadi 2nd stage, North-South, Gangothri Campus, Gangothri Quarters, Dasanakoppal, Maratikyatanahalli, Kergalli, Roopanagar, Deepanagar, Bogadi village, Vijayanagar 3rd, 4th stages, Hinkal, Vijayashripura, Sudha Layout, Railway Layout, SBM Layout, Vagdevinagar, CFTRI Layout, University and surrounding areas, according to a press release.

MCC Council Meet

The General Council Meeting of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) for the month of February will be held at its Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar auditorium on Feb. 27 from 11 am onwards, according to a press release.

KSRTC Technical apprentice

The interview process to appoint technical apprentice at the KSRTC will held at the Divisional Office, Mysore City Transport Division, Nelson Mandela Road, Bannimantap in city on Feb. 28 at 11 am. Interested candidates who have passed SSLC/ITI are requested to obtain applications from the office before Feb. 27, according to a press release from the Controller, KSRTC Mysuru Urban Division.

'Praja Vibushana' award conferred

C. Vayu Singh, a student of Rainbow Public School, Bogadi, was recently conferred 'Praja Vibushana' National Award 2020 awarded by Karunadu Seva Trust, Mandya, for his achievements in education, art, sports and music at a function held at Kalamandira.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	112.93 ft
Yesterday	113.19 ft
Inflow	227 cusecs
Outflow	3,342 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,278.32 ft
Inflow	132 cusecs
Outflow	250 cusecs

Decomposed body of Forest watcher found on Kukkarahalli Lake roadside

Mahesh

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (RK&KS)- The decomposed body of a Forest Watcher was found in a water-filled tank on Kukkarahalli Lake roadside yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Mahesh (39), a resident of Saragur and working as a Forest Watcher with the Forest Department.

Jayalakshmipuram Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary.

As the body was decomposed, the Police have suspected that the deceased may have accidentally fallen into the water-filled tank three to four days ago while trying to sit on the edge of the tank.

Jayalakshmipuram Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

The exact cause for the Forest watcher's death would be known only after receiving the post-mortem report, said Jayalakshmipuram Inspector Sureshkumar.

Two unidentified elderly women die at hospital

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (KS)- In separate cases, two unidentified elderly women, who were admitted to K.R. Hospital, have breathed their last at the hospital.

In the first case, a beggar woman, who was found lying unconscious near Kalamma Temple at Kadakola on Jan. 30, was admitted to K.R. Hospital by the villagers. She breathed her last on Feb. 15. The deceased is 80-years-old, oval faced, oily red complexioned and has tattoos on both hands. Kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru South Police on Ph: 0821-2444955 or District Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2444800, according to R. Swamygowda, ASI, South Police Station, Mysuru.

In the second case, an elderly woman, who was found lying sick on the footpath of Sayyaji Rao Road by the Police and admitted to K.R. Hospital, has breathed her last at the hospital. The deceased has been identified as Basamma (85). The Police have shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary. Kith and kin, if any, may contact Mandi Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418313/513.

Another body found

Mandi Police have found a body of an unidentified man on the footpath of Sheshadri Iyer Road and have shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary. The deceased, aged about 65 years, was found wearing a green and white striped shirt and blue pant. The kith and kin of the deceased may contact Mandi Police.

Police custody for gangster Ravi Pujari till Mar. 7

Ravi Pujari

Bengaluru, Feb.25- Notorious gangster Ravi Pujari, who is accused of making extortion calls to businessmen and celebrities and who had hoodwinked Indian investigation agencies for nearly three decades, was brought from Senegal, a West African country to Bengaluru by the Karnataka Police in the wee hours of Monday.

After being brought to Bengaluru, Pujari was produced before an ACMM Court, which remanded him to Police custody till Mar.7.

A four-member team of Karnataka Police, which included senior IPS Officers ADGP(Law & Order) Amarkumar Pandey and Bengaluru Joint Commissioner of Police Sandeep Patil, brought Ravi Pujari by an Air France flight to Bengaluru. The gangster's arrest ends one of the biggest hunts by the Karnataka Police.

Pujari is an accused in 97 cases of murder, attempt to murder and extortion, among others. While 47 of these cases were booked in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts, 46 were filed by Bengaluru Police. Pujari is also wanted in 100 other similar cases in Gujarat and Maharashtra, it is learnt.

House burgled

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (RK&KS)- Miscreants, who gained entry into a locked house, have decamped with cash and gold jewellery worth Rs. 3 lakh from the house. The burglary took place at the house of one Ravi, located at R.S. Naidu Nagar in Kesare 2nd Stage in city.

Ravi, on Feb. 21 afternoon, locked his house and gone out of station. When he returned on Sunday morning, he found the lock of the door broken. Upon entering the house, Ravi found the door of the almirah forcibly opened and found one 25-gram gold necklace, 40-gram gold chain, eight-gram gold bracelet and earrings worth about Rs. 2 lakh and Rs. 70,000 cash, all stolen.

N.R. Police, led by Inspector Shekar, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and registered a case. Dog Squad and Fingerprint experts were also pressed into service.

Despite urging the residents to inform us (Police) when they go out of station so that the we can keep a watch on the house, most of the residents do not pay heed to this request, leading to such burglaries in city, the Police personnel said.

Elderly lady among four persons missing from city

Kamalamma

Mysuru, Feb.25 (KS)- A 65-year-old woman is among four persons, who have gone missing from city in separate incidents.

In the first incident, 65-year-old Kamalamma, who left her house on Jan. 22, has since gone missing.

Kamalamma is 5 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, round faced, speaks Kannada and was last seen wearing a pink saree and blue blouse.

Chandan

In the second incident, 15-year-old Chandan, an inmate of Government Boys Balamandira in Vijayanagar 4th Stage, who left for School on Feb. 14 at about 7.30 am has not returned to hostel and has since gone missing.

He is 4.9 ft. tall, normal built, speaks Kannada and was wearing the School uniform at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about Kamalamma and Chandan, may contact Saraswathipuram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418123, 2418323 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Hema

In the third incident, 20-year-old Hema, who left her house on Feb. 21 at about 7 am saying that she was going to a grocery shop to purchase dal, has since gone missing.

She is 5 ft. tall, round faced, wheatish complexioned, cannot see with her left eye, speaks Kannada and English and was wearing a red coloured chudidar and white sweater at the time of going missing.

Those having information about Hema may contact Hebbal Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418318.

Anusha

In the fourth incident, 19-year-old Anusha has gone missing since Feb. 18 from city.

She is 5.5 ft. tall, normal built, oily red complexioned, oval faced, speaks Kannada, Kodava and English languages.

Those having any information about Anusha may contact V.V. Puram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418314, 2418514 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.340, according to a press release from V.V. Puram Police Station.

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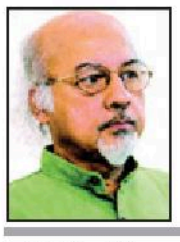

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

At last **P.V. Narasimha Rao has been called what he really was, "the first BJP Prime Minister of India." The assertion is made by his own confidant P.V.R.K. Prasad in his book Asalem Jarigindante (What really happened).** A cursory look is enough to see that **Rao tried to do exactly what Narendra Modi is doing now — cleansing Ayodhya of Muslim traces and making it the exclusive domain of Rama.**

Let us not forget that **Babri Masjid was demolished when Rao was Prime Minister. He knew all the "secret" preparations that were being made by the *Kar Sevaks* assembled by the Vishwa Hindu Parishad. But he kept quiet and the Masjid was gone.** Years later, the Liberhan inquiry report said VHP-BJP leaders "could just as easily have prevented the demolition" but "the hidden intention of one and all [was] to accomplish demolition."

Narasimha Rao set up a trust to build a temple just as Narendra Modi has done now. But his efforts failed because he didn't get VHP-RSS support; the Hindutva lobby must have known that Rao's game plan was to "checkmate BJP from monopolising Lord Ram." Now BJP does monopolise the Lord. The irony is that the intention of all politicians, irrespective of party, is to use the Lord for electoral gains.

This explains why the Congress also plays the God game despite its secular pretensions. At a rally in Chitrakoot last year, posters appeared with pictures of "Ram Bhakt Pandit Rahul Gandhi." The party also held *Ram Van Gaman Path Yatra* tracing Rama's route to exile. Even if Rahulji was embarrassed, he could do nothing to stop his partymen's enthusiasm. In any case, Democracy seems to have made it obligatory for Gods to join one political party or another.

Although the Modi Government's thrust has been undisguised, emotions generated by the masjid demolition have not died down. **VHP leaders still celebrate the day "so that our children know its importance." A member of the Babri Masjid Action Committee was more blunt: "Future generations should know that on this day the rule of mob won in our country."** Are wounds too deep to heal? Optimists might have seen a sign of softening on the Hindutva side. The VHP has been celebrating the masjid demolition day as *Shaurya Diwas,* day of bravery. Yogi Adityanath's Hindu Yuva Vahini toned it down to *Bhagwa Diwas,* saffron day. But there were instructions to fly saffron flags in all Hindu homes. This idea was given up at the last moment because as BJP leaders explained, the Government wanted to emphasise the theme of "development."

That was the most surprising — and, if true, encouraging — twist in the tale ever since this political one-upmanship began. **A government with saffron preferences deciding to give up a Hindutva idea and stress development instead is a pointer to what this country can become if the ruling groups remove their blinkers.** However, the actions of the Adityanath Government since the controversies began over the Citizenship Amendment Act suggest that the "development" reference was perhaps an intended slip.

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Emotions over religious themes and locations are often manipulations by interested parties. This thought will surely come to anyone who reads *Ayodhya: City of Faith, City of Discord* by Valay Singh. The author takes up the case of J.P. Mishra, "a regular at Ayodhya who comes at least twice a month to bathe in the Sarayu." After visiting some temples, when they were about to part, the author asked Mishra if he would visit the Hanuman temple. "No, I am in a hurry," was the reply. "Do you go to Ram Janmabhoomi?" Mishra said: Never." He believes that Rama was born in Ayodhya but "refuses to obsess about the makeshift temple" where the masjid stood. "This fuss over one temple does not attract me." As author Valay Singh puts it: "To many locals like him, the Ram Temple movement had discredited itself even before the mosque had been demolished."

That is the ground reality. The average citizen is not communally inclined. Left to himself, he will function not as a Hindu or Muslim or Jain or Christian, but as an Indian. But he is never left to himself. He is manipulated, deluded and engineered into compromising situations. He seldom sins, but he is incessantly sinned against. He has the appearances of a citizen, but in fact he is a captive in the hands of schemers. He could not even see, when it happened, that a Congressman was the first BJP Prime Minister of India.

SNIFF OUT THE 'D' WORDS

T	S	U	D	Y	E	F	Y
R	S	R	E	P	P	I	D
D	E	C	O	R	A	T	E
U	N	D	R	A	P	E	F
N	K	D	O	U	B	L	E
E	R	D	R	I	N	K	N
D	A	R	T	F	A	R	D
U	D	I	G	N	I	T	Y

Can you find all the words starting with "D" hidden in the puzzle? You must look up, down, left, right and diagonally to find them.

The words to look for are:

DARKNESS
DART
DECORATE
DEFEND
DIGNITY
DIPPER
DOUBLE
DRAFT
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DRINK
DUNE
DUST
DYE

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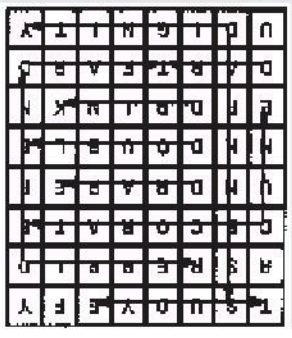


PAWS FOR A RIDDLE

What is red and goes up and down?

A tomato in an elevator

What has a head but no brain?

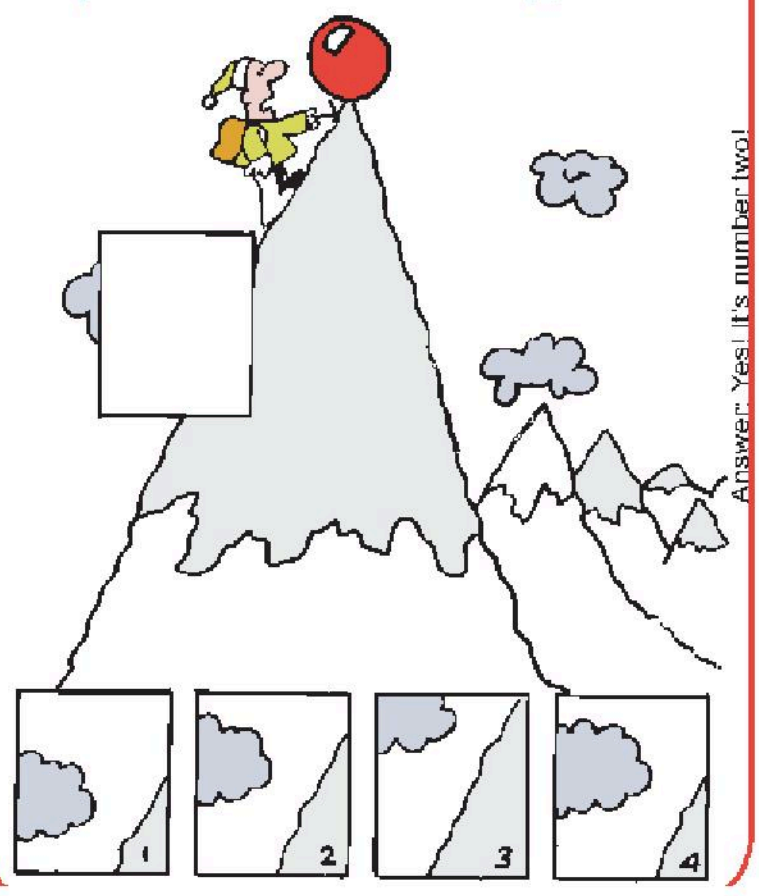
A cabbage

What do you call Eskimo cows?

Eskimoos

MATCH THE MISSING BIT!

Which picture in the square below matches the missing part of the cartoon? Is it number 1,2,3 or4?



Answer: Yes! It's number two!

Quarantine Station for rescued wild animals at Koorgalli Rehab Centre

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Feb. 25- A Quarantine Station for rescued wild animals for rehabilitation will soon come up at Chamundi Animal Conservation, Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre at Koorgalli on the outskirts of the city.

A proposal to construct the Quarantine Station has been sent to the State Government for approval, said Mysuru Zoo Executive Director Ajit Kulkarni. The Zoo Authority of Karnataka manages the Chamundi Rescue Centre. "As soon as the Government approves the proposal, we will call for tenders," he added.

The Rehabilitation Centre is an independent facility and it complies with the recommended quarantine procedures followed globally by Zoological gardens. Man-animal conflict on the fringes of Bandipur Tiger Reserve and Nagarahole National Park is on the rise and animals — especially tigers and leopards — that are captured are sent to Chamundi Rescue Centre.

"As of now, animals rescued and brought to our Centre are housed in the same facility where rehabilitated animals are kept. There are possibilities of infections from the wild animals spreading to the healthy animals. This can be avoided if they are quarantined on independent premises," said Kulkarni.

Transmittable tick infection

"Ticks on animals are common in the wild and usually, rescued animals suffer from tick-borne illnesses that are transmittable. Most often, the rescued animals are brought here with injuries as well. The best way would be to house them at a separate place with facilities," he said. Wild animals are usually quarantined for over one month and treated for all kinds of injuries and infections. They are later shifted to enclosures, the Executive Director added.

The Chamundi Rescue Centre is spread across 113 acres with lakes extending up to 10 acres. At present, the Centre has seven tigers, 13 leopards, five elephants, one Indian Gaur and four wild dogs. Over 10 to 15 Zoo employees work there. The Zoo spends over Rs. 1.5 crore per year to manage the Centre.

The Quarantine Station too will be developed and maintained using Zoo funds for multiple animal species and to ensure that no infections from wild animals were spread to the healthy animals already in captivity since many years, he revealed.

He further said it will be a full-fledged quarantine care centre with three to four holding rooms with separate room for the keepers and caretakers. Only ailing or disabled animals or those that cannot be displayed for certain reasons could be shifted to the Rescue Centre.

Captive breeding: T-80 to be paired with Durgi

The male tiger 'T-80' that was captured in Bandipur Range.

Tigress Durgi that was also captured from Bandipur.

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (MTY&BCT)- In a significant boost to captive tiger breeding, Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, popular as Mysuru Zoo, has planned to utilise the male tiger that was captured from the fringes of Bandipur for breeding.

The tiger, named T-80 will be paired with Durgi. T-80 was captured in October 2019. It is a healthy male aged about five years. The big cat was captured at Chowdahalli. The feline was seen wandering in search of territory through several forest ranges and ended up in the buffer area of Gopalaswamy Betta Range in Bandipur.

The tiger was first photographed in 2018 January-February in Antharasanthe Range. It was spotted at Moolehole Range of Bandipur Tiger Reserve in December 2018. In about a year's time, the tiger had walked about 100 kms from Nagarahole National Park to Bandipur Tiger Reserve in search of territory and a mate.

There are nine Zoos in the State including Mysuru Zoo and most of the tigers in these Zoos belong to the same blood group. As there is a need for fresh species of tiger family, the Zoo authorities in Mysuru were on the lookout for a suitable female tiger for mating with this captured male tiger.

Now the Zoo authorities have decided to use this T-80 for breeding, as it is a fresh blood. These tigers which have grown up in the natural environs of the forests are blessed with the natural instinct of preying and mating. After initial tests, Durgi that was captured from Bandipur a year ago was found to be a fit partner for T-80, Mysuru Zoo Executive Director Ajit Kulkarni told *Star of Mysore*.

Zoo authorities have already started familiarising process between Durgi and T-80 and are kept in adjacent cages. "The familiarisation process will take time and we cannot leave Durgi suddenly with T-80. We are following the established protocol for this," he added. Both the tigers are at Chamundi Animal Conservation, Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre in Koorgalli.

The Zoo authorities have also sought permission from the Government to breed Indian Guar (Indian bison). Incidentally, the country's biggest Gaur conservation breeding Centre is also located at the Chamundi Rescue Centre.

People's Park Library awaits inauguration

By Rajkumar Bhavasar

Mysuru, Feb. 25- With the civil works of the two-storey building of the new Library that has come up at People's Park in Nazarbad opposite KSRTC Sub-urban bus stand completed, the new Library is now awaiting inauguration.

The 1809 sq.mt building has come up on a 340ft x 400 ft. plot in People's Park at an estimated cost of about Rs.5 crore. Although the civil works are over, the interior works are yet to begin.

The construction of the building was started years ago with Government funds, but later on works came to a standstill as the MCC delayed remittance of Library Cess which it had collected from citizens. Now, with the civil works complete, the electrical works are going on.

The building is secured by a huge iron wall and a big gate has been installed at the main entrance to the building.

The ground floor of the building will house a section for the specially-abled and visually-challenged, women's section, computer room, book stock room, circulation and reference sections, newspapers, magazines sections and two store rooms for office usage, keeping documents and old newspapers/ magazines. This floor has wash rooms, toilets for the specially-abled and other civic amenities such as drinking water. The Floor will also have exclusive sections for students preparing for competitive examinations, children and senior citizens.

The first floor of the building will house the administrative office, the Chief Librarian's cubicle, a mini-conference hall, Technical sections and office for different divisions. It will also have an open mini auditorium, much like the ones in Conference Halls elsewhere.

B. Manjunath

Department of Libraries Deputy Director B. Manjunath said that the First floor of the building will also have civic amenities such as drinking water, toilets, Records room, Stationeries room etc. The Library will provide conference halls to writers of the city to host events like book release or seminars at a very nominal price, thus promoting them and their works, Manjunath added.

The second floor will also house an Open Reference Hall where colourful umbrellas will be installed like in hotels and the visitors will be able to read books in a natural atmosphere under the shade of the umbrella. Apart from this, the new building will have a kiosk where one can get information about tourist spots in and around the city and as well as information about all other branches of the library in the city.

Chairs will also be kept for the benefit of the visitors at the Open Reference Hall. There are plans to install a solar system for attaining self sufficiency in power and the Library department is in touch with CESC authorities in this regard. Also plans are afoot to build a beautiful landscape and lawn in the vast space in front of the building, where it is intended to grow medicinal and herbal plants, according to Manjunath.

Continuing, Manjunath said that with civil works over, the next task is to get funds for interiors, which is estimated to cost Rs.4.5 crore. The MCC has given Rs.3 crore for the same and has promised to give the remaining amount needed in April, out of which interior design and other necessary infrastructure such as computers, books etc. will be procured.

Even as the Library Department is keenly awaiting the inauguration of the new building, the Department has already planned what it should do in the over century-old old building on Sayyaji Rao Road. The Department after deciding to retain the old building as it is, will use it for Literary purposes. Poet Laureate Kuvempu used to frequent the Library in his college and later days and the Department took a decision in 2015-16 to retain the building in its present form. As a mark of respect to literary greats such as Kuvempu, who had virtually made this Library their second home,the Department will dedicate the old building on Sayyaji Rao Road for literary works and Kannada books. The Department plans to move 50 percent of the books it has at the old building to the new building, where books for competitive exams will be made available for students and aspirants. As the old Library attracts hundreds of newspaper readers every day, the newspaper section will be retained in the old Library Building along with Kannada books and literary works, Manjunath said.

Library Training School likely to come up in old building

With the old Library likely to get ample vacant space once most of the books are shifted to the new building, the Department plans to open a Library Training school in the old Library facing Sayyaji Rao road. The Department is mulling introduction of a Certificate course in Library Sciences for SSLC and PU passed students. Already, such Schools are functioning at Bengaluru ,Kalaburagi, Davanagere and Mangaluru and Mysuru will be the fifth city to get one. A proposal has been sent to the Government in this regard and the Department is awaiting Government approval, Manjunath said and added that initially only the Certificate Course will be introduced.

When an ambulance needs an ICU...

Ambulance, which rushes to the aid of the injured involved in accidents, also needs to be taken care of, periodically. Here is a photo of a 108 Ambulance being carried on a truck to an Intensive Car Unit (ICU) after it broke down. The photo was clicked by** Star of Mysore **reader Sarah Nayeem near Hinkal Flyover in city recently.

'Arogya Darpana' Health Survey

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The residents will be given a formatted health card, which they are required to fill up and handover to the health workers. The residents will be presented a Body Mass Index (BMI) chart, which contains specific parameters on safe health limits. Residents will be advised on maintaining the specified parameters through regular health check-ups either at Government Hospitals or at private medical facilities, said Manjunath, a health worker, speaking to *Star of Mysore*.

The health workers, after recording the data, will take regular feedbacks from the residents once in 20 or 30 days. After getting the feedback, the health workers will alert the residents on their health condition and will suitably advise them on getting treated, depending upon their condition.

The main objective of the survey is to alert people on NCD (Non-communicable Diseases) health issues and take appropriate health measures.

The State Government implemented this important health initiative as a pilot project in 2017, during which the survey was carried out in Kumbarakoppal Primary Health Centre (PHC) jurisdiction. Enthused by the response, the Government has now extended the initiative to five other PHCs.

Comprehensive healthcare in wellness Centres soon: In another major health initiative, the Government plans to introduce comprehensive health care in wellness centres soon. Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) set up under 'Ayushman Bharat' to provide preventive, promotive, rehabilitative and curative care, will soon expand their services to elderly and palliative healthcare.

Basic oral health care and care for common ophthalmic and ENT problems will be available at these centres. Mid-level healthcare providers and community health workers, who will be trained to offer these services, will also facilitate tele-consultation with a doctor at the nearest PHC, for those who require specific treatment.

MLA Tanveer Sait back in city

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Replying to another question on the murderous assault on him, Sait said that the assault happened all of a sudden and he was caught off guard.

Now the Police, after carrying out investigations and making arrests, have submitted the charge-sheet, a copy of which is available with Sait. Asserting that he has no questions about Police investigation, Sait said he was unaware of the plot and the assaulter. Stating that he does not need a higher level of security, Sait said that Congress party workers will always be with him whenever he has to attend any events in the city.

Earlier, party workers and fans celebrated Sait's return to city by bursting crackers upon his arrival at Columbia-Asia Hospital junction. Meanwhile, the Police leaving nothing to chance, have resumed tight security around Sait's residence. The Police are screening everyone visiting Sait's residence. A metal detector has also been installed at the entrance to the MLA's residence.

It may be recalled Sait was in city on Jan. 9 to take part in the identification parade of the accused at Mysuru Central Jail.

BSY to attend Trump Dinner

Banquet at Rashtrapati Bhavan

Yediyurappa

Bengaluru, Feb. 25- Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa will fly to Delhi this afternoon to attend a banquet hosted for US President Donald Trump by President Ram Nath Kovind at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi this evening. On his expectations of Trump's visit, CM's sources said, "Yediyurappa may have a word or two with Trump on bilateral issues if he gets an opportunity to meet him."

Chief Ministers K. Chandrashekar Rao (Telangana), Uddhav Thackeray (Maharashtra), Edappadi K. Palaniswami (Tamil Nadu), Manohar Lal Khattar (Haryana) and Biju Patnaik (Odisha) will also attend the banquet, it is learnt.

Prohibitory orders around Exam centre from tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 25- With the Karnataka Higher Secondary Education Examination Board (KHSEEB) scheduled to conduct Computer Education Exams at the District Education and Training Institute (DIET), Vasanth Mahal in the city from Feb. 26 to Mar. 3, the City Police have issued prohibitory orders in 200-mts radius of the Exam centre (DIET) from 6 am to 6 pm on all days from Feb. 26 to Mar. 3.

The Police have invoked Section 35 of the Karnataka Police Act to promulgate the prohibitory orders for ensuring smooth conduct of the exam. The order is also meant for preventing any malpractices and other illegal activities during the Exam, according to a press release issued by the Office of the City Police Commissioner.

Three injured as car rams into Para-Military training vehicle near N'gud

Nanjangud, Feb. 25 (KS)- The driver of a car has suffered serious injuries and two other occupants of the car have sustained minor injuries when the car they were travelling in rammed into a Para-military Training Vehicle at K.R. Pura Circle at Dodda Kavalande in the taluk yesterday.

While the seriously injured car driver has been identified as Ganapathi, the other injured are Shanmuga and Pandya, all residents of Subramanyanagar at Madurai in Tamil Nadu.

The trio was proceeding in their car (TN-64-T-9500) from Madurai via Chamarajanagar to Mysuru, when the car driver lost control of the vehicle and rammed into the Para-military Training Vehicle which was coming from Nanjangud side.

The front portion of the car has been badly damaged in the accident.

Para-Military personnel, who were inside their training vehicle, immediately rushed the injured to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru in another Army truck.

Dodda Kavalande Assistant Sub-Inspector Chandrashekar has registered a case.

Trump pays tribute

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Soon after the Guard of Honour, the US President was escorted to a canopy where the President, the Prime Minister along with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, NSA Ajit Doval, Lt. Governor of Delhi Najeeb Jung, Chiefs of three Services among others welcomed him.

This was ahead of the hectic schedule of meetings at the Hyderabad House with Prime Minister Modi and team.

At the joint press brief at the Hyderabad House, PM Modi said, "Today we discussed every important aspect of US-India partnership, be it defence and security, energy strategic partnership, trade or people to people ties. The strengthening in defence ties between India and US is an important aspect of our partnership."

He added, "President Trump and I have met five times over the last 8 months. We are elevating our relationship to Comprehensive global strategic partnership level. We are increasing our cooperation in homeland security. We have decided to increase our efforts to fight terror to fight organised crime, drugs, narcotics cooperation will be stepped up."

CESC public contact programme tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 25- The Bannur and T. Narasipur Sub-Divisions of Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be holding a public contact programme at their respective offices tomorrow (Feb.26)

At CESC Office Bannur: From 11 am to 1 pm, for consumers of Bannur, Athalli, Kethupura, Rangasamudra, Beedanahalli, Hanumananalu, Kodaganahalli, B.C. Halli, Heggur, Maliyuru, Turuganur, Ankanahalli, Chidravalli, Chamanahalli and Makanahalli.

At CESC office T. Narasipur: From 3 pm to 5 pm, for consumers of Bhyrapura, Kiragasuru, Gargeshwari, Hosakote, Tumbla, Muguru, Vatalu, Kothegala, Alagudu, Kurahatti, Madapura, Hemmige, T. Doddapura, Kaliyuru, Talakadu, B.C. Halli, Holesalu, Benakanahalli, Doddebagilu, Kolathuru, Mutthalavadi, Somanathapura, Sosle and Ukkalagere. Consumers under the respective CESC Sub-Divisions can express their grievances related to power supply.

Art makes our lives more meaningful: K.V. Murthy

Mysuru, Feb. 25- Sri Purandara and Sri Thyagaraja Aradhana-2020 by Surabhi Ganakala Mandira Trust was held at Prasanna Parvathi Convention Centre in V.V. Mohalla here recently. Industrialist and art patron K.V. Murthy was conferred with 'Kala Sevaratna' award on the occasion.

'Art makes our lives more meaningful. Literature, music, dance and Yakshagana give joy to the audience. Music was in two parts earlier, singing and playing. Now both are incorporated together. The works of Purandara and Thyagaraja In Karnatak classical music are immense and will remain immortal. The younger generation should continue learning music,' K.V. Murthy said.

President of Surabhi Ganakala Mandira Prabhakar, Vidushi Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar, Secretary Vijaya, Vidu. Meera Manjunath, Keshava Saralaya, Muktaka Sahitya Parishat President S. Ramaprasad, Ganabharathi President Dr. C.G. Narasimhan and Captain R.A. Manjunath were present.

Babruvahana Kalaga enthrals Yakshagana buffs

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (MK&SD)- Dakshina Kannada Doctors' Cultural Association, Mysuru, had organised Yakshagana performance by noted Yakshagana troupe, Karavali Yakshagana Kendra, Mysuru, on Sunday at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road in city.

The artistes performed an episode from the great epic, Mahabharata, *'Babruvahana Kalaga.'* Unique combination of dance, music, dialogue, costume, make-up, and stage techniques enthralled the audience.

Satish Alva as Babruvahana, Ganesh Pujari as emissary, Srinivasa Rao as the Minister and as Hamsadhwaja, Bhargavi as Kataki, Alaka Kattemane as Chitrangada, Sudip Kulal as Arjuna, Akshaya Heggade as Pradyumna and Rashmi as Krishna together with Subraya Hebbar (Bhagavatharu), Ananthanabha Pathak (Maddale) and Amrutadeva Kattinakere (Chande) captivated the audience.

Industrialist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoi was the chief guest for the event. Dakshina Kannada Doctors Cultural Association President Dr. C. Umesh Kamath of Kamakshi Hospital presided over the event. Association Vice-President Dr. Chandrashekhar Bhat, Dr. M.K. Shivaprakash, Dr. Gangadhara Shetty, Dr. Sanjay Pai, Dr. Prakash K. Prabhu and Dr. U. Ganesh Rao were present.

Karnatak concert by Dr. Suma Harinath

Mysuru, Feb. 25- As part of the third year anniversary celebrations of Sathagalli Ganapathi Temple (near V.T.U. College), city-based Swaralaya School of Music President Vidushi Dr. Suma Harinath enthralled audience with her soulful rendition of Karnatak classical music at the Temple premises recently.

She presented various devotional songs, including *'Tilimugila Tuttilalli', 'Yogi Manege Banda' 'Nee Baruva Dariyali'* and other songs. She was accompanied by Vidwan Subramanya Kumar on tabla and Vidwan G. Suresh on violin.

Bag prizes in Global Theatre Fest

Mysuru, Feb. 25- Students of city's 'Gurudev Academy of Fine Arts', have won prizes in All India Drama, Dance and Music competitions held recently in Cuttack, Odisha, organised by 'Theatre Movement' on the occasion of Global Theatre Festival 2020.

Students — Bhagyalakshmi and Mythri Mahiram have bagged 'Chairman Awards' in Senior and Junior Solo Bharatanatyam categories respectively, while G.B. Sindhushree bagged first prize and S. Devika bagged second prize in solo Bharatanatyam category; and Ridhi Vasudev, Mythri, Bhagyalakshmi, Sindhushree and S. Devika bagged first prize in group dance.

Melodious rendition of old Kannada melodies

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (YDS&SD)- Ninaad Musical Trust had organised a music programme *'Madhura Madhuravee Manjula Gaana'* at Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall in Krishnamurthypuram here on Feb. 23

Singers Lokesh, Bhagya, Papanna, Shivaprasad and others rendered a number of old Kannada movie melodies, which received a great applause from the audience. Amulya and Deepika duo rendered *'Madhu Maasa Chandrama,'* Tanishka and Vihan *'Neene Rama Neene Shyama,'* Srivani and Narasimha *'Mellusire Savigaana,'* Lokesh and Bhagya *'Bhoomi Taayaane Nee Ishta Kane,'* Parashiva Murthy *'Naavaaduva Nudiye,' 'Akashave Beelali Mele'* and other popular old Kananda melodies, creating a lively atmosphere.

Later, singers Papanna and Bhagya rendered *'Eneno Aase,'* Priya and Shivaprasad *'Chali Chali Talenu,'* Anuradha and Mutturaju *'Eno Moha,'* Pratima and Mahesh *'Onde Ondu Aseyu'* followed by other lilting melodies of old Kannada movies.

Mysureans complete Delhi Marathon in Boston Marathon Qualifying timing

Mysuru, Feb. 25- V.C. Venkatesh and Dr. Usha Hegde became the first Mysureans to complete Delhi Marathon (42.195-km) in the Boston Marathon Qualifying time. The Marathon was held on Sunday last.

To participate in Boston Marathon, one has to reach the specified qualifying timing in Marathons certified by Association of International Marathons and Distance Races (AIMS).

While 52-year-old Venkatesh completed the Delhi Run in 3-hours-22-minutes, which is Boston Marathon Qualifying timing for men in 50-54 years category, 48-year-old Dr. Usha Hegde finished the Marathon in 3-hours-47-minutes, the Boston Qualifying timing for women in 45-49 years category.

Venkatesh is the Founder of The Strategy Labs, Mysuru, an IT consulting company and resides at Vijayanagar 4th Stage. Dr. Usha Hegde is a dentist and Head of the Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology at JSS Dental College in city. She also has to her credit of becoming the first woman from city to have finished the Ironman Western Australia 2019 Triathlon.

V.C. Venkatesh

Dr. Usha Hegde

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* about his aim of participating in Boston Marathon 2021, Venkatesh said: "Boston Marathon is like the holy grail for Marathon runners. I have been running Marathons in India for the past seven years. Every year I usually take part only in two Marathons — Mumbai and Chennai. But this year, I took part in Delhi Marathon because I had earlier in January missed the Boston Qualifying time in Mumbai Marathon by a few minutes."

Speaking about his preparation for Marathons, Venkatesh said: "I run all my training runs in University of Mysore campus. I follow a particular training schedule. I go for three runs in a week and also go for physiotherapy and follow proper nutritious diet. And for Delhi event, I started training from July last."

1st Khelo India University Games 2020

Mysore University women's volleyball team wins gold

The women's volleyball team of University of Mysore which won gold medal in the 1st Khelo India University Games 2020 held at Bhubaneshwar yesterday. Seen are** (standing from left) **Jhancy, Nisha, B.D. Kantharaj (Dy. Director, Dept. of Physical Education, UoM), C. Lohith (Coach), Sebastain (Kehlo India official), Dr. Udhaykumar (Manager), Ashok Tolmatti (Coach, UoM), Sandhya Rani (Women's coach), Kesarkar (Official, UoM), Puttaswamy (Official, UoM), K.J. Nithya, B.P. Hema;** (kneeling from left) **Captain Sneha, V.A. Bhagyashree, D.D. Vaishnavi, Deepa, Priyanka, Deepthi, R.R. Arpitha and C. Kavya.

Mysuru, Feb. 25- The women's volleyball team of University of Mysore (UoM), taking part in the 1st Khelo India University Games 2020 held at KIIT Campus, Bhubaneswar, won gold in the women's volleyball event by beating Punjabi University, Punjab, 3-0 in the final last evening.

University of Mysore beat Punjabi University 25-17, 25-13, 25-18 in the final. Earlier in the semi-final, University of Mysore beat SRM University, Chennai, 25-17, 13-25, 25-18, 25-20 to enter the title round.

Football: Narrow win for Shivaji FC

Mysuru, Feb. 25- A goal each by right out Ibad (22) and center forward Siddiq (33) helped Shivaji FC to register a narrow 2-1 win over Citizen FC in the MDFA 'C' Division Football League 2019-20 for the Subramanya Swamy Memorial 'Chirag Trophy' played at the University Grounds here yesterday.

The margin was reduced by right out William for Citizen FC who scored in the fifth minute of the game.

Chikmagalur Chess: Bengaluru's Aravind Shastry triumphs

Mysureans grab second and third place

Chikmagalur, Feb. 25- Aravind Shastry with 7 points from seven rounds clinched the title in the Chikamaglur Fest State-level Open Chess Tournament 2020, conducted by Chikamaglur District Chess Association at AIT BGS Block Seminar Hall here on Sunday.

Mysuru lad M.P. Ajith with 6 points from seven rounds secured the runner-up spot. Mysuru's M.D. Chiranth with 6 points secured the third place.

Final Placings

1. Aravind shastry (7), **2.** M.P. Ajith (6, 26.50), **3.** M.D. Chiranth (6-24.50), **4.** V.P.S. Darshan (6-24.50), **5.** B.R. Gagan (5.5), **6.** U. Niranjan Bhat (5.5), **7.** L. Vivekananda (5.5), **8.** K.M. Prajwal (5.5), **9.** J. Manjunath (5) and **10.** P. Adithya (5).

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Broken manhole cover posing danger at Nehru Nagar

A manhole, with its cover broken, is inviting danger at Nehru Nagar in Sathagalli 2nd Stage in city. Residents said that as the manhole is in the middle of the road, it is posing danger to motorists, especially to those riding during night times. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the broken manhole cover replaced at the earliest.

Huge water-filled pit causing problems at Vijayanagar

A huge pit filled with water from a leaking pipeline at Vijayanagar High Tension-Vidya Vardhka College Road junction is causing a lot of problems to the public, especially motorists. A SOM reader, who sent us this photo said that the water is getting filled into the huge pit due to the badly executed pipeline works going on since about eight months. He also alleged that though the pit is right next to the Water Supply Office, it has failed to attract the attention of the officials concerned. Authorities are urged to take steps to solve the problem at the earliest.

The sorry state of the Government School at Nazarbad

No drinking water post lunch, No toilets for girls, Playground filled with debris

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (MK&KS)- With no proper drinking water facility, locked toilets of boys with no toilets for girls and also no ground to play despite the School having a playground, the students of the Government Higher Primary Model School on Mosque Road at Nazarbad are the suffering lot.

The compound of the School that has classes from first to seventh standard collapsed months ago and as the compound is not yet built, the School premises has become a place for the public to attend nature's call.

29 students studying at the School, are forced to attend classes in the midst of the stench. Many parents are backtracking to admit their wards to the School because of the this, it is learnt.

Also, in the absence of the compound, which acts as a security to the School, the School premises has become a place for illegal activities with drunkards using the premises to consume liquor, regret a few residents.

Collapsed compound giving miscreants easy access to School.

> "An appeal to grant funds for the reconstruction of the collapsed compound has been made to the MLA of the Constituency and the issue has also been brought to the notice of the Education Department. The Engineering Division of the Panchayat Raj has been urged to clear the debris of the old collapsed structure."
>
> —Udaykumar,
> Block Education Officer, North Zone.

The locked boy's toilet at the School.

No proper drinking water facility: The School also lacks proper drinking facility and the students have to go to the kitchen to drink water. But the cooks after serving mid-day meals to students, lock the kitchen, thus depriving them of drinking water post lunch.

No toilets for girls, boys' toilets locked: Though toilets for boys were constructed at a cost of Rs. 2 lakh under Swachh Bharat Mission, it is always found locked. As the collapsed compound is not built, miscreants damage the toilets and after the toilets are used once or twice a day, it is being locked.

But the School lacks toilets for girls and the old toilets are filled with plants and bushes making the toilets unusable.

No ground to play: As the old structure opposite to the School has collapsed, the students are unable to use the playground. Though the old structure collapsed five years ago, the debris has not been cleared and if the old structure is cleared the students would get a wide playground.

This is the plight behind the classrooms of the School.

Irwin Road widening: Hurdle cleared as hospital toes the line

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (RK&DM)- A major hurdle for widening the ever busy Irwin road has been cleared with Prasad Nursing Home and Chitra's Hospital located on the road agreeing to vacate for facilitating road widening.

Hospital head Dr. Mahesh Kumar and Dr. Chitra, after withdrawing the suit filed against the MCC in the Court, handed over a letter agreeing to vacate the hospital and thus facilitate widening of the road, to MCC Zonal Assistant Commissioner Geetha Huded and Development Officer H. Nagaraj on Feb. 22.

Speaking to *SOM*, Dr. Mahesh Kumar said that with an objective of widening the Irwin road, the MCC authorities had sought the demolition of the hospital for road widening. But there was delay as the issue had to be discussed with all the trustees of the Hospital. But now, the Hospital has decided to vacate taking into consideration public interests, he said and added that the hospital authorities has handed over the letter agreeing to vacate the hospital for road widening purpose.

MCC Zonal Assistant Commissioner Geetha Huded said that the compensation amount will be credited to the account of the Hospital authorities, after which the buildings in the premises will be demolished.

Now that the hospital authorities have agreed for demolition, the road widening works will be expedited. Apart from this, the MCC is also holding talks with Wakf Board authorities for demolition of a part of the structure owned by it to enable road widening on this stretch of Irwin Road, Geetha Huded said.

Hospital faculty Ravikantarao, MCC Health Inspector Shantaraj and others were present.

Raja Ravi Varma Award conferred

Mysuru, Feb. 25 (PM&DM)- The Raja Ravi Varma State Award instituted by city's Shri Ravivarma Art Institute, was conferred on veteran painter from Kalaburagi, **Prof. J.S. Khanderao** (for the year 2019) and senior artist from Mumbai, **Vasudev Kamath** (2020) at a programme organised in the institute premises located on Narasaraja Road in Chamundipuram here recently.

The award carries a cash prize of Rs.10,000 and a citation.

Speaking after receiving the award, Prof. J.S. Khanderao said that he was glad to receive this prestigious award. Observing that art defines the history of human culture, he said that art is also a form of human expression.

Noting that painting dates back to the ages of primitive times, Prof. Khanderao said that the art form has undergone rapid transformations over centuries. Pointing out that painting is a form of expression and a medium for sending out messages, he opined that painting was more practical in nature.

Stressing on the need for artists to develop creativity in their profession, Khanderao said that the capacity of an artist grows with learning and experience. He further said that an innovative artist can bring more value to the society through artwork.

Vasudev Kamath, in his address, said that art students must not merely stick on to syllabus and must always be eager to learn from the outside world. Highlighting that painting is a more expressive form of art, he called upon painters to practise as much as possible in order to gain mastery over the art.

Senior Artist C.S. Krishnasetty, Tumakuru's Ravindra Kalaniketana faculty Prabhu Harasur, Senior advocate S. Arun Kumar, Shri Ravivarma Art Institute Principal Shivakumar Kesaramadu and others were present.

TEASER By N. Prakash

Nartana Namana at Ganabharathi tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 25- Ganabharathi, in association with Raasavrunda, has organised '*Nartana Namana*', a Bharatanatyam dance recital at 6.30 pm tomorrow (Feb. 26) at Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar.

Choreographers Vidu. Shubha Balasubramanyam, along with her disciples Aditi Balasubramanya and Mrudula Ravi, Vidu. Aparna Shashank, along with her disciples Vanshika Rathi, Prarthana Mohan, Suma Jayasimha and Chitra Kattepura and Vidu. Radhika Iyengar, along with her disciples D. Pooja, S. Lasya and Samhita Avadhanam will present the recitals.

Aparna

Radhika

Shubha

Artistes' Profiles

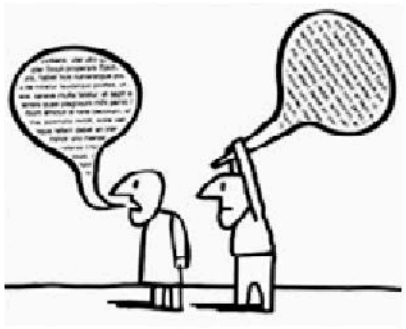
Vidushi Shubha Balasubramanya, Director at Aadhya Art Foundation, Bengaluru, was trained under the guidance of Vidu. Nandini Eswer of Raasavrunda. Shubha has conceptualised *Katha - Loka,* monthly story-telling session, a vision of enriching children in stories based on Puranas, Mahabharata and Ramayana. She is working as a visiting faculty in various Schools to introduce Indian classical dance to young children. She has also been working as an Examiner for the Bharathanatyam Exam conducted by Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board (KSEEB).

Vidushi Aparna Shashank is the disciple of Vidu. Nandini Eswer and Founder-Director of Sambhrama, Bengaluru. An M.Phil in Cultural Studies from Jain University, Bengaluru and M.Sc in Botany from the University of Mysore, Aparna is working as Chief Microbiologist in the Quality Control Department, in a packaged drinking water factory and has previously worked in National Public School, Bengaluru, as a Dance teacher. She is a graded Doordarshan artiste and a recipient of "Singar Mani" Award from Sur Singar Samsad, Mumbai. Aparna is also an Examiner for the Bharathanatyam Exam conducted by KSEEB.

Vidushi Radhika Iyengar, another disciple of Vidu. Nandini Eswer, is the Artistic Director of Naada Narthana School of Music and Dance, Bengaluru. A Post-graduate in Bharatanatyam from Annamalai University, Tamil Nadu, she is also a graded artiste of Doordarshan, Bengaluru. Radhika is the recipient of "Singar Mani," "Baala Natya Mayuri" from Kala Vikasa Parishat, Gadag and 'Minugu Taare" from ETV Kannada. She too is an Examiner for the Bharathanatyam Exam KSEEB.

WORD OF THE DAY

Vituperation



Pronunciation: vuh·tyoo·puh·rei·shn.
Meaning: Bitter and abusive language.
Origin: The word came into being in mid 15th century, but was rarely used before early 19th century. Its origin is from Latin 'vituperationem' (nominative vituperatio) "blame, a blaming, censuring," from past participle stem of vituperare "disparage, find fault with," from vitiperos "having faults," from vitium "fault, defect" + parare "prepare, provide, procure" . Vituperatio was stronger than either Latin reprehensio or Modern English vituperation.
Example: She was unprepared for the flood of vituperation which descended on her from her critics.

THE ODD WORD

Vectitation

The act of carrying, or state of being carried.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Vicious Circle

Meaning: A self-perpetuating process which returns to its starting point with no improvement from when it was begun.

Origin: The term was first used by 18th century logicians for a fallacious proof in this form: A depends on B; B depends on C; C depends on A. A wider use of the expression was taken up by the medical profession and there are several examples from the early 19th century of it being used to describe conditions where one symptom affects another and the health of the patient steadily deteriorates. The more general meaning of the phrase refers to any process where one event feeds off another but which seems trapped in a loop and eventually returns to its starting point, with no benefit gained. This imagery was employed in the 18th and 19th centuries to denote the circle of life and death.
Example: There is a vicious circle linking natural disasters with poverty.

QUOTE BOX

Vacations are necessities, not luxuries. **—Linda Bloom**

RIDDLE THIS

I am the centre of gravity, hold a capital situation in Vienna, and I am foremost in every victory. Who am I?

Answer: The letter 'V'

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Board game along with snakes and ladder
5 Part of circumference of a circle or other curve?
8 Plural of "serum"
12 Application-Specific Integrated Circuit
13 Tanker distances (3,5)
15 Bhopal is the capital of this state (6,7)
17 Blazing
18 604 in Rome
19 Superlative suffix?
21 Strikes sharply
24 Assoc. Med. Off.
27 Circus (colloquial) (3,3,3)
30 Vada ___ : Mumbai's favourite snack
31 A town in SE Minnesota - "an age" anagram?
32 Equal opportunity employer abbr
33 Parade ground order or correct vision! (4,5)
35 Arid or moistureless?
36 Contaminated or sullied
37 Nursery schooler?
39 This vegetable sounds as if it won't hold water!
41 Utter or say something loudly
45 Be indecisive (4,3,6)
49 Organic compound used in making synthetic rubber
50 A famous Dickens character is Little ____?
51 Long wall or embankment against flooding
52 Existed
53 Historic canal

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

F	Q	I	S	■	D	C	I	V	■	S	S	R
D	U	M	P	■	I	D	L	I	■	L	I	A
R	A	M	A	■	D	R	O	O	P	I	N	G
■	R	A	D	I	I	■	■	L	A	P	S	E
S	A	N	E	R	■	■	Y	A	P	■	■	■
A	N	U	■	A	L	O	E	■	A	G	E	S
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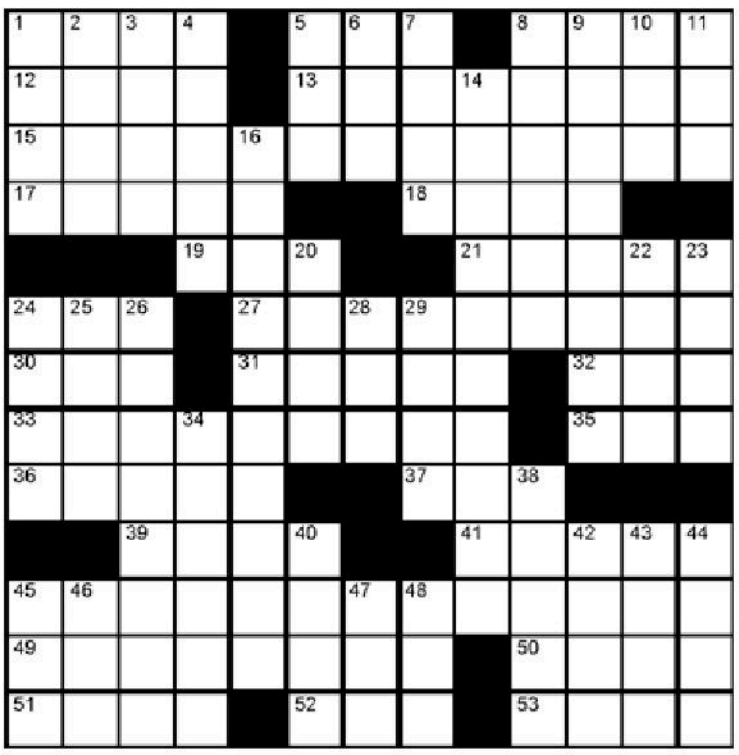
C	O	N	■	C	R	E	W	■	T	R	E	E
S	L	S	■	H	O	R	N	■	H	I	S	T

DOWN

1 A Tibetan priest
2 American equivalent of our IAF
3 Khaled's famous song or Indian relative?
4 Earthy yellow
5 As fresh ___ lily? (2,1)
6 Corded cloth
7 One of a pack
8 Railway shunting track
9 Raised, ennobled, hoisted
10 Legal thing
11 Tree known as Fraxinus excelsior
14 Raincoat
16 Time long gone
20 "A hit" changes that man from Bangkok?
22 Very short of money
23 A river of Scotland
24 Burlesqued
25 Request for permission (3,1)
26 Fail to observe or decide to ignore
28 You might have it scrambled, poached or boiled !
29 Currency unit of Thailand
34 Russian plain?
38 Scottish feudal lord
40 Discerned, was aware of
42 Unique or singular person
43 A crossbred citrus fruit
44 Far as a prefix
45 Dev Anand thriller of yore
46 Horizontal Situation Indicator
47 Watson-Crick compd.
48 Christian Evidence Soc.



SUDOKU

3						1		
9	6				7	2		
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4			9					
			5		6			
					3			8
	9			1				
		1	4				8	7
		3						5

Answer to previous puzzle

7	1	2	9	5	3	8	4	6
4	6	9	1	2	8	3	7	5
3	5	8	6	7	4	1	9	2
6	9	7	8	3	2	4	5	1
5	4	1	6	9	7	2	8	3
2	3	8	4	1	5	6	9	7
8	7	6	2	4	1	5	3	9
9	2	4	3	6	9	7	1	8
1	8	5	7	8	9	9	2	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

EX IWX KF QIYP MAIM EX XQXP RIWX NFW MAX

FJYPYFP FN MAFKX EX GFP'M RIWX NFW

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS D

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: There is nothing new under the sun. It has all been done before.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
3rd Class	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Om Shanthi	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Aadhya	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	2 Shows
Mounam	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	2 Shows
Love Mocktail	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Kaanadante Maayavadanu	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Shivaji Surathkal	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Popcorn Monkey Tiger	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Deadly Affair	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
HINDI			
War	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Bhoot Part 1	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Bheeshma	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
.....	Padma	2521923	M. Show

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Popcorn Monkey Tiger (K)	(S-1)	10.35 am, 4.30 pm
	(S-4)	1.30 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
	(S-2)	10.45 am
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-1)	7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	4.30 pm
Mafia (Ta)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Bheeshma (Te)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Brahms: The Boy II (E)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Bhoot Part-1 (H)	(S-3)	11.00 am, 4.30 pm 7.05 pm, 9.50 pm
Shubh Mangal Zyada Saavdhan (H)	(S-4)	11. 00 am, 4.30 pm 7.20 pm, 9.55 pm

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Shubh Mangal Zyada Saavdhaan (H)	(S-1)	10.20 am, 4 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-2)	1.30 pm, 7.10 pm
Mafia (Ta)	(S-4)	7.15 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 4.05 pm
	(S-4)	9.40 pm
Bhoot Part One: Haunted Ship (H)	(S-3)	10.55 am, 1.25 pm
Bheeshma (Single For Ever) (Te)	(S-1)	12.55 pm
	(S-3)	9.25 pm
Popcorn Monkey Tiger (K)	(S-4)	10.55 am, 4.25 pm
	(S-1)	6.40 Pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
	(S-3)	4.00 pm, 6.45 pm
	(S-2)	9.50 pm

PVR CINEMAS — www.pvrcinemas.com

Popcorn Monkey Tiger (K)	10.05 am, 1.45 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.50 pm
Bheeshma (Te)	10.25 am, 3.45 pm
Bhoot - Part One: The Haunted Ship (H)	10.50 am, 4.10 pm, 6.50 pm, 10.00 pm
Shubh Mangal Zyada Saavdhan (H)	11.05 am, 1.30 pm, 4.40 pm, 7.20 pm, 9.30 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	1.00 pm, 6.50 pm
Mafia Chapter-1 (Ta)	1.35 pm
Aadyaa (K)	4.10 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	9.35 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Sandesha Award Conferred

Mangaluru, Feb. 25- The 29th annual Sandesha awards, instituted by Sandesha Foundation for Culture and Education, were presented to seven achievers from various fields at a ceremony at Sandesha premises in Mangaluru recently.

Vally Vagga was conferred with Sandesha Konkani Literature Award, Boluvaru Muhammad Kunhi with Sandesha Kannada Literature Award, Shivkumar with Sandesha Media Award, Helen D'Cruz with Sandesha Konkani Music Award, Dr. K. S. Pavithra with Sandesha Art Award and Justin D'Souza with Sandesha Education Award. Sandesha Special Recognition Award was presented to Vincent Prakash Carlo.

Each award consisted of Rs.25,000, trophy, certificate, citation, shawl and garland. The selection was made by a jury comprising Dr. Na. D'Souza, Dr. B.S. Talwadi, Dr. Na. Da. Shetty, Concepta Alva, Chandrakala Nandavara and Sara Abubakar.

Vally Vagga being conferred with Sandesha Konkani Literature Award at Mangaluru recently.

Rev. Dr Henry D'Souza, Bishop, Bellary diocese and President of Sandesha Foundation, presided. Dr. B.V. Vasanth Kumar, President of Karnataka Sahitya Academy, was the chief guest. Director of Sandesha Kala Kendra Fr. Francis Assisi D'Almedia welcomed. Sandesha Trustee Roy Castelino proposed a vote of thanks.

Noted Konkani Poet and activist Valerian D'Souza, known as Vally Vagga, was born at Vagga in Nirkan Parish, on July 27, 1947. He relocated to Mysuru and presently resides in Brindavan Extension. He was conferred the prestigious Daiji Dubai Literary Award last year during Daiji Dubai general body in Dubai.

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 25)

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP): Inauguration of Ramsingh's Museum of Mysuru Paintings by Dr. BKS Varma, eminent artist of Karnataka, Kuldip Singh, Architect and Town Planner, New Delhi, releases the booklet 'Mysuru Chitra Siri,' #285, Kalankur, Zoo Main Road, **4.30 pm;** Silver Jubilee of RKP, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Ramsons, opposite Zoo, **5.45 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Yadavagiri: 185th Jayanti of Bhagavan Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, Vedic Chanting from Yuvaka Sangha, **5.30 pm;** Discourse in Kannada on 'Sri Ramakrishna's Life and Teaching,' **6 pm;** Sandhyarati and Special Bhajans, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **7 pm.**

Sri Mahaganapati Seva Samiti: Sri Annapurneshwari Jathra Mahotsava and Maharathotsava, Pallaki Utsava, **5.30 pm;** Sugama Sangeetha by Girija Mallesh of Chethana Mahila Samaja Vidyaranyapuram, 'Puja Kunita' by Mohan Kumar and Siddarameshwara art troupe, Temple premises, Hebbal 1st Stage, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Raghavendra Seva Samiti: Sri Raghavendraswamy Pattabhisheka and Vardhanti Mahotsava, discourse on 'Sangraha Ramayana and Sri Rayara Mahime' by Pt. Nagarahalli Raghavendrachar, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.**

GSS Yogic Foundation and Himalaya Foundation: Sri Patanjali Maharshigala Samsmaranotsava and Sadhakaru-Sadhane Anavarana Programme, Patanjali Yoga Shikshana Kendra Founder Prof. K. Keshavamurthy inaugurates, GSS Yogic Foundation Head Srihari delivers keynote address, Dasti Educational Institution Founder Dr. D. Thimmaiah presides, SGK Developers MD M.N. Doreswamy offers floral tribute to Sri Pathanjali's portrait, Suyog Hospital President S.P. Yoganna and District Kannada Sahitya Parishat former President Maddikere Gopal chief guests, achievers - Dr. V. Srikantaswamy Dixit, B.N. Muddukrishna, V. Sheshadri, B. Shantharam, Jayanti Bhat and K.R. Yoganarasimhan, GSS auditorium, Udayaravi Road, opp. Pramati School, **5.30 pm.**

Prajapitha Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Yadavagiri: 'Sneha Millan' programme for Engineers, Brahma Kumaris Yadavagiri premises, **6.30 pm.**

Prasa Bharati, Akashvani Mysuru: Ranga Banuli 2.0 (Second Series), airing of play 'Ariyade Nadedu Yedavadiri' (written by Prabhuswamy Malimath), journalist Dr. Kudli Gururaj special invitee, Akashvani Head S.S. Umesh presides, Sriranga auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 26)

Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES), Directorate of Technical Education, Bengaluru and JSS Mahavidyapeetha, JSS Polytechnic for the Differently Abled, JSS Technical Institutions' Campus: NSS Annual Special Camp 2019-2020, flag hoisting by K.V. Umesh, Director, National Institute of Martial Arts and Yoga, Mysuru, **6.30 am;** Lecture on 'Management of accidents' by J. Ganganaika, District Fire Officer, Saraswathipuram, K. Mahadevaswamy, Head, Department of Commercial Practice, JSS Polytechnic for the Differently Abled, presides; Cultural Programme, JSS Technical Institutions' Campus, **4 pm.**

Sri Mahaganapati Seva Samiti: Sri Annapurneshwari Jathra Mahotsava and Maharathotsava, Utsavanga Homa, **8.30 am;** Rashi Puje, Puja Kunita and Kolata by Bhajana Mandali, **10.30 am;** MP Pratap Simha and MLA L. Nagendra inaugurates Maharathotsava, Anna Santarpane, **11 am;** Sankalparchane and Prasada Viniyoga, Mandolin Concert by K.N. Anagha, **5.30 pm;** Bhajans by Lalita Parayana Mandali led by H.B. Subbarao and G.C. Puttaswamy, Temple premises, Hebbal 1st Stage, **6.30 pm.**

Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Kannada (CESCK), Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Manasagangothri: 'Keerthana Sahitya - Maarga mattu Desi,' Kannada Development Authority Chairman T.S. Nagabharana inaugurates, senior scholar Prof. RBS Sundharam speaks, Mysore University VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar chief guest, CESCK Project Director Prof. K.R. Durgadas delivers keynote address, CIIL Director Prof. D.G. Rao presides, Centre premises, **10 am to 5.30 pm.**

Silk India-2020: Handloom exhibition-cum-sale, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**

Department of Studies (DoS) in Sanskrit, University of Mysore (UoM): National Conference on 'Ecology in Sanskrit Literature,' UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar presides, Acting VC of Karnataka Sanskrit University Prof. V. Girish Chandra chief guest, Secretary of Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan-Ujjayani Prof. Virupaksha V. Jaddipal delivers keynote address, **10.30 am;** Valedictory, UoM Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa presides, UoM Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. K.M. Mahadevan, Dean and Vedavedanga faculty of Rastriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeta and UoM Syndicate Member R. Pradeep Kumar Dixit chief guests, felicitation to Padma Shri Awardees K.V. Sampath Kumar and Vidu. K.S. Jayalakshmi of 'Sudharma,' Conference Hall, DoS in Sanskrit, Manasagangothri, **4 pm.**

Sri Raghavendra Seva Samiti: Sri Raghavendraswamy Pattabhisheka and Vardhanti Mahotsava, discourse on 'Sangraha Ramayana and Sri Rayara Mahime' by Pt. Nagarahalli Raghavendrachar, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Yadavagiri: Annual Celebrations, Homage to Swami Vivekananda, Aratrikam at the auditorium, Discourse in English by Swami Dayatmanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Mutt, Halasuru, Bengaluru, on 'Mystical Spiritual Experiences of Swami Vivekananda in the West'; Discourse in Kannada by Dr. T.S. Poornima, Dy. Director, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, Mysuru and renowned writer, on 'Woman Empowerment as Envisioned by Swami Vivekananda,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **5.45 pm to 8 pm.**

Raasavrunda and Ganabharathi: Nartana Namana, a Bharatanatyam recital, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

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